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September 29, 2010

**Re: Belmont County
American Energy Corp., Century Mine
Notice of Violation
OIL00091*GD
Correspondence (IWW)**

Mr. Farley Wood
American Energy Corp., Century Mine
43521 Mayhugh Hill Road
Beallsville, Ohio 43716

Dear Mr. Wood:

We have received your self-monitoring reports covering the months of January through June 2010 for the referenced facility. Our review indicates violations of the conditions of your NPDES permit. The specific instances of noncompliance and/or deficiencies are as follows:

Outfall	Parameter	Type	Units	Limit	Reported	Date
February 2010						
015	Manganese, Total	30D Conc	mg/L	2000	2002.	2/1/2010
May 2010						
017	Nitrogen, Ammonia	30D Conc	mg/L	1.0	2.	5/1/2010
017	Nitrogen, Ammonia	1D Conc	mg/L	1.5	2.6	5/19/2010
June 2010						
017	Nitrogen, Ammonia	30D Conc	mg/L	1.0	4.9045	6/1/2010
017	Fecal Coliform	30D Conc	#/100 mL	1000	6600.	6/1/2010
017	Nitrogen, Ammonia	1D Conc	mg/L	1.5	9.	6/2/2010
017	Fecal Coliform	1D Conc	#/100 mL	2000	6600.	6/28/2010

NOTES: 1D Conc = Daily Average Concentration Value
1D Qty = Daily Average Loading Value
7D Conc = Weekly Average Concentration Value
7D Qty = Weekly Average Loading Value
30D Conc = Monthly Average Concentration Value
30D Qty = Monthly Average Loading Value

Please be advised that failure to comply with the effluent limitations or to satisfy the monitoring or reporting requirements of your NPDES permit may be cause for enforcement action pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code Chapter 6111.

We have reviewed your report addressing the reasons for the above violations and the actions being taken to prevent further occurrences. Hopefully, these actions will prevent any recurrence so that enforcement action will not be required. No additional information is requested at this time.

If there are any questions, please contact me at (740) 380-5284.

Sincerely,



Ms. Abbot Stevenson
Environmental Engineer
Permits and Enforcement Section
Division of Surface Water

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c: Fred Blumling, American Energy Corp.



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July 7, 2009

Re: Belmont County
American Energy Corp., Century Mine
Notice of Violation
0IL00091*GD
Correspondence (IWW)

Mr. Ryan Murray
American Energy Corp., Century Mine
43521 Mayhugh Hill Road
Beallsville, Ohio 43716

Dear Mr. Murray:

We have received your self-monitoring reports covering the months of October 2008 through May 2009 for the referenced facility. Our review indicates violations of the conditions of your NPDES permit. The specific instances of noncompliance and/or deficiencies are as follows:

Outfall	Parameter	Type	Limit	Units	Reported	Date
December 2008						
008	Manganese, Total	30D Conc	2000	ug/L	2150	12/1/2008
January 2009						
017	Dissolved Oxygen	1D Conc	6	mg/L	4	1/21/2009
February 2009						
015	Manganese, Total	30D Conc	2000	ug/L	2350	2/1/2009

NOTES: 1D Conc = Daily Average Concentration Value
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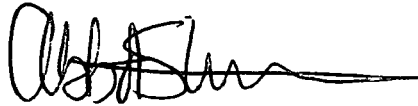
Please be advised that failure to comply with the effluent limitations or to satisfy the monitoring or reporting requirements of your NPDES permit may be cause for enforcement action pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code Chapter 6111.

Failure to report violations of the effluent limitations is also a violation of your NPDES permit. Please review Part 3 of the NPDES permit for reporting requirements.

We have reviewed your report addressing the reasons for the above violations and the actions being taken to prevent further occurrences. Hopefully, these actions will prevent any recurrence so that enforcement action will not be required. No additional information is requested at this time.

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Attention: Ms. Abbot Stevenson

Dear Ms. Abbot Stevenson:

We are in receipt of the attached preliminary compliance report dated July 21, 2009 concerning Outfall 017 for June 2009.

AEC was out of compliance on fecal coliform. Our allowable limit is 1000/2000, while 2200 was reported. We have not found anything that would cause a high value.

AEC has cleaned this system the week of July 20th. The sample was also checked for the month of July and was in compliance.

If you have any questions or need additional information please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Dennis B. Dubiel 7/29/09

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July 21, 2009

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Preliminary Compliance Report

Facility: American Energy Corp - Century Mine

Permit No.: 01L00091*GD

Report Period: June 2009

Date Received: 7/20/2009

Station	Type	Date	Reporting Code	Parameter	Limit Type	Permit Limit	Reported Value
017	Limit	6/1/2009	31616	Fecal Coliform	Monthly Conc.	1000	2200.
017	Limit	6/11/2009	31616	Fecal Coliform	Daily Conc.	2000	2200.

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If you have any questions or need additional information please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

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Facility: American Energy Corp - Century Mine

Permit No.: 01L00091*GD

Report Period: June 2009

Date Received: 7/20/2009

Station	Type	Date	Reporting Code	Parameter	Limit Type	Permit Limit	Reported Value
017	Limit	6/1/2009	31616	Fecal Coliform	Monthly Conc.	1000	2200.
017	Limit	6/11/2009	31616	Fecal Coliform	Daily Conc.	2000	2200.

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American Energy Corporation

March 30, 2009

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Attention: Abbot Stevenson

Dear Ms. Abbot Stevenson:

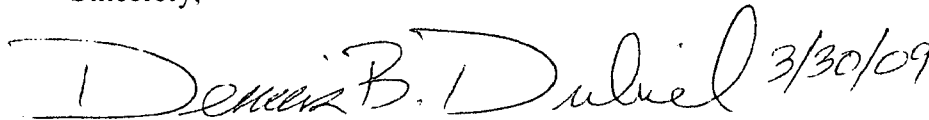
We are in receipt of the attached preliminary compliance report dated March 20, 2009 concerning Outfall 015 for February 2009.

AEC was out of compliance on manganese. Our allowable limit is 2000, while 2350 was reported. This could be contributed to some of the rain days experienced in February.

AEC has been treating this pond and monitoring the quality. We also cleaned this pond last week

If you have any questions or need additional information please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

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March 20, 2009

American Energy Corp Century Mine
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Dear Permittee:

A Preliminary Compliance Review was conducted on your Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) submitted on March 19, 2009. As detailed at the end of this letter, screening of your submitted DMR has identified possible compliance issues. Please review the information and take the appropriate action:

- If you need assistance in understanding the basis for the PCR you can contact Lavaun Pinckney of the Permit Compliance Unit via email Lavaun.Pinckney@epa.state.oh.us or by phone at 614-644-2047.
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Preliminary Compliance Report

Facility: American Energy Corp Century Mine

Permit No.: 0IL00091*GD

Report Period: February 2009

Date Received: 3/19/2009

Station	Type	Date	Reporting Code	Parameter	Limit Type	Permit Limit	Reported Value
015	Limit	2/1/2009	01055	Manganese, Total (Mn)	Monthly Conc.	2000	2350.

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March 20, 2009

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Permit No.: 0IL00091*GD

Report Period: February 2009

Date Received: 3/19/2009

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American Energy Corporation

February 26, 2009

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Attention: Abbot Stevenson

Dear Ms. Abbot Stevenson:

We are in receipt of the attached preliminary compliance report dated February 20, 2009 concerning Outfall 017 for January 21, 2009.

Our reported value for 017 was 4, which is below the minimum permit value of 6. We are in process of having the system cleaned. I will also have our operator check the system for any mechanical problems that could have caused this to happen. I will follow up with you to report any findings.

If you have any questions or need additional information please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

 2/26/2009

Dennis B. Dubiel
Project/Environmental Engineer
Century Mine





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February 20, 2009

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Preliminary Compliance Report

Facility: American Energy Corp Century Mine

Permit No.: 0IL00091*GD

Report Period: January 2009

Date Received: 2/19/2009

Station	Type	Date	Reporting Code	Parameter	Limit Type	Permit Limit	Reported Value
017	Limit	1/21/2009	00300	Dissolved Oxygen	Daily Conc.	6	4.

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Attention: Abbot Stevenson

Dear Ms. Abbot Stevenson:

We are in receipt of the attached preliminary compliance report dated January 21, 2009 concerning Outfall 008 for December 2008.

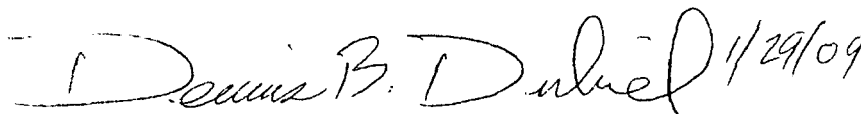
AEC was out of compliance for manganese. AEC was .150 mg/l above the allowable limit. The contributing factors for this amount are the amount of rainfall and excess runoff, combined with the discharge of pond 12.

AEC has been monitoring and treating as needed to keep the manganese levels down. AEC will continue treatment of the upper said pond and runoff. This will bring outfall 008 within the allowable limits.

The first sample for January 2009 is within the allowable limits for pond 008.

If you have any questions or need additional information please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

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Preliminary Compliance Report

Facility: American Energy Corp Century Mine

Permit No.: 0IL00091*GD

Report Period: December 2008

Date Received: 1/20/2009

Station	Type	Date	Reporting Code	Parameter	Limit Type	Permit Limit	Reported Value
008	Limit	12/1/2008	01055	Manganese, Total (Mn)	Monthly Conc.	2000	2150.

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American Energy Corporation

December 23, 2008

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Attention: Abbot Stevenson

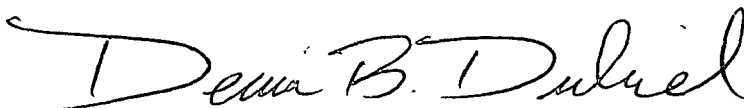
Dear Ms. Abbot Stevenson:

We are in receipt of the attached email dated December 3rd, 2008 concerning the preliminary compliance report for October 2008. We submitted samples that were taken greater than 28 days apart. This occurred at station 015, permit # OIL00091*GD.

We have contacted the contractor and advised them to keep all samples within the 28 day time period.

If you have any questions or need additional information please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,



Dennis B. Dubiel
Project/Environmental Engineer
Century Mine

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December 03, 2008

American Energy Corp Century Mine
43521 Mayhugh Hill Rd Twp Hwy 88
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Dear Permittee:

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Date Received: 12/2/2008

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015	Freq	10/15/2008	00094	Conductivity	1/2Weeks	1	0
015	Freq	10/15/2008	00400	pH	1/2Weeks	1	0
015	Freq	10/15/2008	00515	Residue, Total Dissolved	1/2Weeks	1	0
015	Freq	10/15/2008	00530	Total Suspended Solids	1/2Weeks	1	0
015	Freq	10/15/2008	01045	Iron, Total (Fe)	1/2Weeks	1	0
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October 4, 2007

Re: Belmont County
American Energy Corp., Century Mine
Notice of Violation
OIL00091*GD
Correspondence (IWW)

Mr. Ryan Murray
American Energy Corp., Century Mine
43521 Mayhugh Hill Road
Beallsville, Ohio 43716

Dear Mr. Murray:

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Outfall	Parameter	Type	Limit	Units	Reported	Date
September 2006:						
017	Nitrogen, Ammonia	30D Qty	0.04	Kg/day	0.053	9/1/2006
017	CBOD 5 day	30D Qty	0.37	Kg/day	0.53	9/1/2006
October 2006:						
016	Manganese, Total	30D Conc	2000	ug/L	2320	10/1/2006
017	Nitrogen, Ammonia	30D Qty	0.04	Kg/day	0.07	10/1/2006
017	CBOD 5 day	30D Qty	0.37	Kg/day	0.52	10/1/2006
017	Nitrogen, Ammonia	1D Qty	0.06	Kg/day	0.083	10/25/2006
016	Manganese, Total	1D Conc	4000	ug/L	4130	10/26/2006
November 2006:						
008	Manganese, Total	30D Conc	2000	ug/L	6600	11/1/2006
015	Manganese, Total	30D Conc	2000	ug/L	2045	11/1/2006
016	Manganese, Total	30D Conc	2000	ug/L	4805	11/1/2006
008	Manganese, Total	1D Conc	4000	ug/L	8140	11/8/2006
016	Manganese, Total	1D Conc	4000	ug/L	4980	11/14/2006
008	Manganese, Total	1D Conc	4000	ug/L	5060	11/15/2006
016	Manganese, Total	1D Conc	4000	ug/L	4630	11/15/2006
January 2007:						
002	Total Suspended Solids	30D Conc	35	mg/L	43	1/1/2007
017	Nitrogen, Ammonia	30D Conc	3.0	mg/L	11.2	1/1/2007
017	Nitrogen, Ammonia	30D Qty	0.11	Kg/day	0.24	1/1/2007

Outfall	Parameter	Type	Limit	Units	Reported	Date
017	Nitrogen, Ammonia	1D Conc	4.0	mg/L	13.0	1/10/2007
017	Nitrogen, Ammonia	1D Qty	0.15	Kg/day	0.25	1/10/2007
002	Total Suspended Solids	1D Conc	70	mg/L	84	1/23/2007
017	Nitrogen, Ammonia	1D Conc	4.0	mg/L	12.0	1/23/2007
017	Nitrogen, Ammonia	1D Qty	0.15	Kg/day	0.27	1/23/2007
017	Nitrogen, Ammonia	1D Conc	4.0	mg/L	8.7	1/31/2007
017	Nitrogen, Ammonia	1D Qty	0.15	Kg/day	0.20	1/31/2007
February 2007:						
017	Nitrogen, Ammonia	30D Conc	3.0	mg/L	3.1	2/1/2007
017	Nitrogen, Ammonia	1D Conc	4.0	mg/L	5.0	2/9/2007
March 2007:						
008	Total Suspended Solids	30D Conc	35	mg/L	3006	3/1/2007
008	Total Suspended Solids	1D Conc	70	mg/L	6000	3/27/2007
April 2007:						
008	Total Suspended Solids	30D Conc	35	mg/L	3254	4/1/2007
015	Manganese, Total	30D Conc	2000	ug/L	2300	4/1/2007
008	Total Suspended Solids	1D Conc	70	mg/L	6500	4/9/2007
May 2007:						
017	Fecal Coliform	30D Conc	1000	#/100ml	1700	5/1/2007

NOTES:

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Please inform this office, in writing, within ten days of receipt of this notification as to the reasons for the above referenced violations, as well as a description of the actions taken or proposed to prevent any further violations. Your response should include dates, either actual or proposed, for completion of the actions.

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If there are any questions, please contact me at (740) 380-5284.

Sincerely,



Ms. Abbot Stevenson
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AS/dh

c: Fred Blumling, American Energy Corp.
c: AS file

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American Energy Corporation

October 15, 2007

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Attention: Abbot Stevenson

Dear Ms. Abbot Stevenson:

We are in receipt of your letter dated October 4th 2007 concerning the self monitoring reports from August 2006 through August 2007. Please find listed below our proposed corrections.

- Outfall 016 was taken out of service due to the construction of phase 3 development on the refuse site. November 15th would have been the last reportable outfall information.
- Outfall 008 (March 2007) was reported incorrectly. I used the Total Dissolved Solids – mg/l data instead of the Total Suspended Solids information please find attached the proper support documents.
- Outfall 008 (April 2007) was reported incorrectly. Tra-Det Inc. who performs the laboratory analysis for the outfalls had recorded the Total Dissolved Solids and the Total Suspended Solids incorrectly. After contacting them on this, they have sent an amended report. Enclosed is a copy without a signature. A signed copy will be forwarded as soon as it is received.
- Outfall 008 (November 2006 Manganese) - We believe that this compliance issue was generated in conjunction with the discharge of pond 16. We have not had this problem since the closing of pond 16.

- Outfall 002 (Total Suspended Solids January 2007) – We will install hay bails at the decant invert to correct the total suspended solid problem.
- Outfall 015 (Manganese November 2006, April 2007) – We modified the treatment box area and installed additional limestone around the area. Manganese problems can be contributed to ph; we will make the necessary ph adjustment.
- **Outfall 017 (Nitrogen, Ammonia, CBOD, Fecal Coliform)** - We began cleaning the system starting October 11th, 2007 and completed October 12th. We believe that by cleaning the entire system the plant will operate to its design standards. After the cleaning and monitoring we may find out that the plant requires cleaning more often than we have done in the past. This will be a good gauge since all other components are working properly.

If you have any questions or need additional information please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,



Fred M. Blumling
Project Engineer

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October 24, 2007

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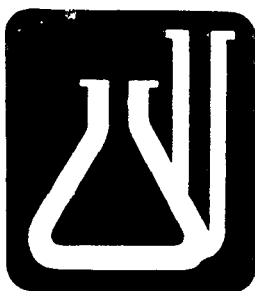
Dear Ms. Abbot Stevenson:

Enclosed is a copy of the signed laboratory analysis of outfall 008 on the date of April 9, 2007. In our reply to your NPDES compliance letter dated October 4, 2007, we had sent a copy without a signature. The original will be kept on file at American Energy Corporation, Century Mine. If you have any questions, please call Adam Hartley at (740) 926-9152 ext. 608.

Sincerely,

Fred M. Blumling ALH, 10-24-07

Fred M. Blumling
Project Engineer



TRA-DET INC.

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LABORATORY ANALYSES
Amended Report

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Attn: Mr. Fred Blumling

10-Oct-07

By *Sandra K Wright*
TraDet, Inc.

Company:	American Energy Corporation	Sampled By:	QES (WD)
Plant:	Century Mine	Date & Time Sampled:	04-09-07 1410
Source:	Outfall 008	Date & Time Received:	04-10-07 1400
Analysis Number: 0704162			

PARAMETER	CONCENTRATION		DATE & TIME ANALYZED	ANALYST	METHOD		MDL	
pH, Field	8.1	S.U.	04-09-07 1410	QES (WD)				
pH, Lab	7.86	S.U.	04-10-07 1530	MY	150.1	[2]		
Specific Conductance, Lab	9400	µmhos/cm	04-12-07 0830	LW	120.1	[2]	2.4	µmhos/cm
Total Dissolved Solids	6500	mg/L	04-13-07 0930	WB	160.1	[2]	14	mg/L
Total Suspended Solids	11	mg/L	04-13-07 0930	WB	160.2	[2]	0.87	mg/L
Iron	880	µg/L	04-13-07 1359	BS	236.1	[2]	20	µg/L
Manganese	1200	µg/L	04-13-07 1359	BS	243.1	[2]	2	µg/L

MDL: Method Detection Limit

[1] Standard Methods, 18th Edition [2] US EPA [3] ASTM [4] EPA SW846

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September 11, 2006

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0IL00091*GD
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601	Nitrogen, Ammonia	30D Qty	0.04	Kg/day	0.37	08/01/05
601	Nitrogen, Ammonia	1D Conc	1.5	mg/L	7.56	08/10/05
601	Nitrogen, Ammonia	1D Qty	0.06	Kg/day	0.40	08/10/05
601	Total Suspended Solids	1D Qty	0.68	Kg/day	0.74	08/26/05
601	Nitrogen, Ammonia	1D Conc	1.5	mg/L	6.3	08/26/05
601	Nitrogen, Ammonia	1D Qty	0.06	Kg/day	0.33	08/26/05
February 2006						
601	CBOD 5 day	30D Qty	0.37	Kg/day	0.55	02/01/06
601	CBOD 5 day	1D Qty	0.56	Kg/day	1.09	02/20/06
April 2006						
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601	Nitrogen, Ammonia	30D Qty	0.11	Kg/day	0.42	04/01/06
601	Nitrogen, Ammonia	1D Conc	4.0	mg/L	5.6	04/06/06
601	Nitrogen, Ammonia	1D Qty	0.15	Kg/day	0.49	04/06/06
601	Nitrogen, Ammonia	1D Conc	4.0	mg/L	4.2	04/19/06
601	Nitrogen, Ammonia	1D Qty	0.15	Kg/day	0.35	04/19/06
May 2006						
601	Nitrogen, Ammonia	30D Conc	1.0	mg/L	1.60	05/01/06
601	Nitrogen, Ammonia	30D Qty	0.04	Kg/day	0.18	05/01/06
601	Nitrogen, Ammonia	1D Conc	1.5	mg/L	1.68	05/10/06
601	Nitrogen, Ammonia	1D Qty	0.06	Kg/day	0.23	05/10/06
601	Nitrogen, Ammonia	1D Conc	1.5	mg/L	1.51	05/22/06
601	Nitrogen, Ammonia	1D Qty	0.06	Kg/day	0.13	05/22/06

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June 2006						
601	Nitrogen, Ammonia	1D Qty	0.06	Kg/day	0.08	06/07/06
015	Total Suspended Solids	30D Conc	35	mg/L	4902	06/01/06
015	Total Suspended Solids	1D Conc	70	mg/L	9800	06/21/06
July 2006						
017	CBOD 5 day	30D Qty	0.37	Kg/day	0.42	07/01/06
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2006 SEP 22 AM 10:11

American Energy Corporation

September 20, 2006

Ohio EPA
Southeast District Region
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RE: Sewage Treatment Plant

Attention: Ms. Abbot Stevenson

Dear Ms. Stevenson:

In response to your letter dated September 11, 2006 American Energy Corporation has completed the following work to the on site treatment plant.

1. Replaced (2) two E.Q. Pumps (Completed August 2006)
2. Cleaned the Sludge tank (Completed July 2006)
3. Cleaned Trash Trap (Completed July 2006)
4. We are also continuing to work with our consultant regarding the training program.

We believe the above work will eliminate the out of compliance discharge. We also intend to rejuvenate the sand filtering system in the treatment plant within 60days.

If you have any questions or need additional information please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,



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